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1. SWEDISH FOREIGN MINISTER SVEN ANDERSSON ISSUED
FOLLOWING STATEMENT ON CYPRUS SITUATION JULY 17:

"A LAWFUL GOVERNMENT HAS AGAIN BEEN OVERTHROWN BY
A MILITARY COUP. THIS MEAN A SETBACK FOR DEMOCRACY. IT
IS PARTICULARLY SERIOUS THAT ANOTHER POWER, THE GREEK
MILITARY DICTATORSHIP, EVIDENTLY CARRIES ITS PART OF THE
RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE COUP.

"THE EVENTS IN CYPRUS CONCERN US IN SWEDEN. ALMOST
300 SWEDES ARE ENGAGED IN THE UNITED NATIONS PEACEKEEPING
ACTIVITIES IN CYPRUS, WITH THE PURPOSE OF MAINTAINING
ORDER BETWEEN THE TWO POPULATION GROUPS. IF PEACE IN THIS
POLITICALLY AND STRATEGICALLY SENSITIVE AREA IN THE
EASTERN MEDITERRANEAN IS ENDANGERED BY THE MILITARY COUP,
THEN THE SECURITY OF ALL PEOPLE IN EUROPE IS AT STAKE.

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"WE IN SWEDEN MUST ACT TO HAVE A STRONG INTERNATIONAL OPINION CONDEMN THE MILITARY COUP AND THE INTERVENTION FROM ABROAD. AS A MEMBER OF THE COUNCIL OF EUROPE, CYPRUS IS BOUND BY THE PROVISIONS ABOUT PROTECTION OF DEMOCRATIC AND HUMAN RIGHTS. VIGOROUS EFFORTS MUST BE MADE THROUGH THE UNITED NATIONS AND BY OTHER AVAILABLE MEANS TO GUARANTEE THE CONTINUED INDEPENDENCE AND TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY OF CYPRUS.

"IF SUCH EFFORTS SHALL LEAD TO A LASTING PEACE IN THE AREA THEY MUST BE ASSOCIATED WITH A REGULATION OF THE RELATIONS BETWEEN GREEK CYPRIOTS AND TURK CYPRIOTS. ONLY IN THIS WAY ALL THE PEOPLE CAN BE GRANTED A FUTURE IN PEACE AND LIBERTY."
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